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1. WE ARE PLEASED WITH PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ LARA'S
POSITIVE RESPONSE TO YOUR PRESENTATION AND LOOK FORWARD
TO REPORT OF YOUR FOLLOW-UP CONVERSATION WITH FONMIN
LUCIO PAREDES. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE SOMEWHAT CON-
CERNED AT AMB. QUEVEDO'S CONTINUING REITERATION OF NEED
FOR FURTHER ACTION ON REMOVAL OF BARRIERS, I.E. REPEAL
OF ALL LEGISLATIVE SANCTIONS, WHICH WE PRESUME REFLECTS
POSITION OF LUCIO PAREDES.

2. UNLESS YOU BELIEVE IT INADVISABLE, WE PROPOSE CALL
IN QUEVEDO AT COUNTRY DIRECTOR LEVEL FOR FURTHER DIS-
CUSSION THIS SUBJECT. WE WOULD MAKE PRESENTATION ALONG
LINES OF YOURS TO PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ LARA SO THAT
QUEVEDO WOULD HAVE CLEARER PERCEPTION OF PRACTICAL
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AND TRAINING AS WELL AS GENERAL UNDERSTANDING OF OUR INTEREST IN PRIVATE "ASSOCIATION CONTRACT" APPROACH AS POSSIBLE MEANS RESOLVING SEIZURES PROBLEM. WE WOULD ALSO WISH TO EMPHASIZE AGAIN IMPORTANCE OF SERIES OF STEPS WHICH HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO WAIVE ALL SANCTIONS AGAINST ECUADOR AND LACK OF PRACTICALITY IN QUEVEDO'S CONTINUED INSISTENCE ON ACTUAL REPEAL OF

ALL LEGISLATIVE SANCTION PROVISIONS AS PRECONDITION FOR ANY INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS AIMED AT RESOLUTION SEIZURES PROBLEM. WE WOULD NOT RPT NOT DISCUSS SUBSTANCE PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ LARA'S REMARKS TO YOU. IT IS OUR HOPE (THOUGH ONLY FAINT ONE) THAT SUCH CONVERSATION, IN ADDITION TO GIVING QUEVEDO CLEARER UNDERSTANDING OF PRESENT STATE OF PLAY, MIGHT LEAD HIM TO EMPHASIZE IN HIS REPORTING NOT ONLY SIGNIFICANCE OF STEPS ALREADY TAKEN BUT POSSIBLY ALSO UNREALISTIC NATURE OF INSISTING ON REPEAL OF ALL LEGISLATIVE SANCTIONS.

3. YOUR VIEWS WOULD BE APPRECIATED. KISSINGER
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